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Docket: K35A0680

In re Application of:  
Robert P. Ryan  
Serial No.: 09/703,689  
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Title: DISK DRIVE COMPRISING VCM STALL  
DETECTOR FOR VELOCITY CONTROL OF  
AN ACTUATOR ARM

Group Art Unit: 2651  
Examiner: Wong, Kin C.

RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313

Dear Sir,

The applicant filed a response on 10/22/03 to a final office action mailed on 7/17/03. The response included a petition for a one month extension. A copy of the response, petition for one month extension, and postcard evincing receipt by the USPTO on 10/27/03 is included herewith. During a telephone interview on 02/12/04, the examiner indicated that he had not received the response filed on 10/22/03. Accordingly, the applicant respectfully requests the examiner consider the applicant's response filed on 10/22/03 in preparation for a telephone interview to be held prior to the appeal brief deadline (03/16/04).